

REMARKS

Applicants request reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1, 4, 5, 7-11, 14, and 15 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 and 11 are the independent claims.

Claims 2, 3, 6, 12, and 13 have been cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. Claims 1, 4, 5, 11, and 14 have been amended. No new matter is believed to have been added.

Initially, Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication that claims 6 and 13-15 recite patentable subject matter and would be allowable if rewritten to overcome rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, set forth in the Office Action and to include all of the features of the base claim and any intervening claims. By the present Amendment, Applicants have cancelled claims 6 and 13 and have amended independent claims 1 and 11 to respectively recite the features of cancelled claims 6 and 13 and, regarding independent claim 1, to recite the features of intervening claims 2 and 3 because it is believed that the features of intervening claims 4 and 5 are not necessary to patentably define the present inventions over the asserted citations.

Claims 5, 6, 8, 10, and 12-15 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite. While not conceding the propriety of this rejection, and solely to expedite prosecution, Applicants have amended claims 5 and 11 (to which the features of claim 12 have been added) in view of the Examiners comments. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims now even more fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph and therefore favorable reconsideration and withdrawal from the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-5 and 7-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2003/0103092 (Byoun et al.). Claims 1 and 2 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,231,021 (Hong). All rejections are respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1 now recites, inter alia, screws passing through a supporting part, a mounting part and an elastic member, to combine the supporting part, the mounting part and the elastic member together and compression springs, the elastic member including a plate spring, and the compression springs surrounding the screws and being interposed between the

plate spring and the supporting part.

It is to be appreciated that independent claim 1 now recites a feature of cancelled claim 6, which was indicated as patentable over the citations of record.

Independent claim 11 now recites the features of cancelled claims 12 and 13, which were indicated as patentable over the citations of record.

However, Applicants respectfully submit that neither Byoun et al. nor Hong teach at least the aforementioned features of independent claims 1 and 11. Further, neither Byoun et al. nor Hong teach either the elastic member or the stand detachably coupled to the monitor.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the independent claims patentably define the present invention over the citations of record. Further, the dependent claims should also be allowable for the same reasons as their respective base claims and further due to the additional features that they recite. Separate and individual consideration of the dependent claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that the present Amendment is responsive to each of the points raised by the Examiner in the Official Action. However, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to such matters.


There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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